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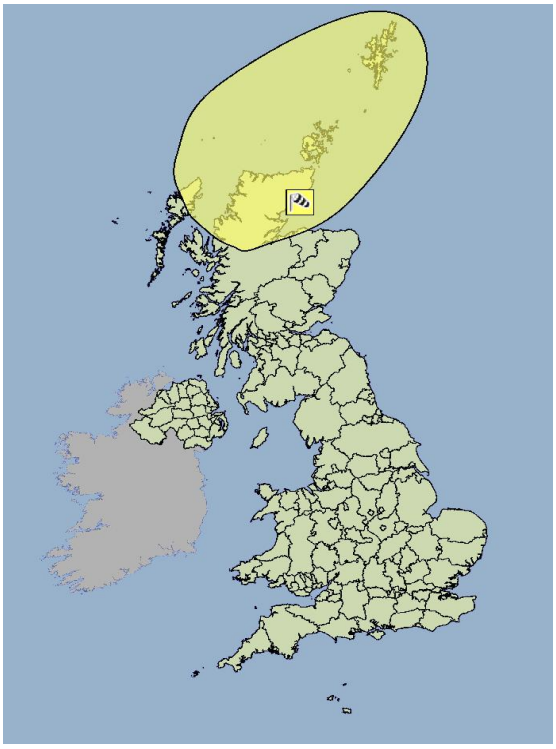

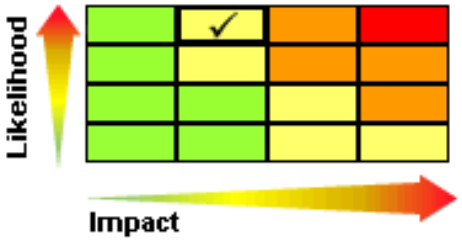

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A deep area of low pressure is moving slowly northwards away from Scotland and passes close to western parts of Orkney and Shetland this morning before continuing further northwards. A swathe of very strong winds on its southern and eastern flanks have brought gales and severe gales to parts of Scotland overnight and will clear the Scottish mainland by mid-morning. Across Orkney and Shetland, however, these very strong winds will persist a little longer, high winds easing across Orkney by late morning before easing over Shetland during the mid to late afternoon.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **04:05 on Sun, 27th Mar 2016** until **14:00 on Sun, 27th Mar 2016**

A swathe of very strong southwesterly winds currently affecting northern Scotland with gusts of 65-75 mph will clear mainland Scotland by mid-morning and Orkney by the late morning before finally easing across Shetland later this afternoon. There is a small risk isolated gusts of 75-80 mph affecting Orkney and Shetland.

Please be aware of the risk of some mainly low levels of disruption to travel, but also to other Easter holiday activities.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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  - Highland
- Orkney & Shetland
  - Orkney Islands
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